



**Construction Contract
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a construction contract with BLASTCO, INC., Houston, TX, for the Slaughter Lane and Loop 360 Reservoirs Recoating and Safety Improvements Project for the Austin Water Utility in the amount of \$878,750, plus an \$87,875 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$966,625.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$966,625 is included in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Austin Water Utility **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT: **AUTHORIZATION:** Chris Lippe

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Hardin, 972-0156; Laura Wiley, 972-0104

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

PURCHASING: N/A

MBE / WBE: 0.53% MBE and 26.68% WBE subcontractor participation.

The Slaughter Lane and Loop 360 Reservoirs Recoating and Safety Improvements Project will provide surface preparation and recoating of two ground storage reservoirs and two hydro-tanks, located at the Slaughter Lane, Loop 360 and Guildford Cove potable water facilities. This work will include exterior and interior coating of the Slaughter Lane ground storage reservoir, exterior coating of the Loop 360 ground storage reservoir, interior and exterior coating of the Loop 360 hydro-tank, and interior coating of the Guildford Cove hydro-tank. Various blasting efforts for surface preparation are required at each facility including an inspection brush blast at the Slaughter Lane facility. Surface preparation and coating of pipe and appurtenances, and vent replacement is required at the Slaughter Lane and Loop 360 facilities. Safety and other improvements at the Slaughter Lane ground storage reservoir includes replacement reorientation of roof hatch, installation of roof railing, floor diverter plate installation, outlet and valve installation, roof modifications at dollar plate, landing modifications, exterior ladder cage and safety climb, and replacement of CPS system. Safety improvements at the Loop 360 ground storage reservoir includes new ladder and roof hatch reorientation. Alternatives included in the bid: Alternate one -- Slaughter Lane interior coating to be Polibrid. Alternate two -- Slaughter Lane installation of door sheet. Alternate three -- Loop 360 interior coating to be Polibrid. Alternate four -- Guildford Cove interior coating to be Polibrid.

In order to reduce delays, a contingency (approximately 10%) has been added to the contract award to address the unknown amount of steel repair that may be required. The extent of steel damage may be more extensive than anticipated since destructive methods are required to remove the existing corrosion and make an exact determination. Assessment of the steel will be performed after the inspection brush blast is complete. The project includes methods of repair based on visible indications.



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The contract provides one hundred forty (140) calendar days for completion of this project.

Bids were opened on May 27, 2004.

Bid documents were distributed to twelve (12) general contractors. Blastco, Inc. submitted the lowest of six (6) bids received. Four of the six bids were determined to be non-responsive. The second low bidder is George Kountoupes Painting Company.

	Base Bid	1*	<u>Alternates</u> 2	3	4	<u>Total Bid</u>
Blastco, Inc. 5514 East Hampton Houston, TX	\$ 893,750.00	\$ 50,000.00	(\$15,000.00)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 878,750.00
George Kountoupes Painting Co. 661 Southfield Road Lincoln Park, MI	\$1,139,970.00	\$368,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$1,176,970.00

* Alternate 1 not chosen to be included in Contract.

The contractor's choice of work methodology provides for five (5) areas of subcontracting: construction photography, welding, cathodic protection, coatings and blast media.

Participation goals stated in the solicitation are: 10.53% MBE and 9.84% WBE. No sub-goals required.

<u>NON M/WBE TOTAL – PRIME</u>	\$545,176.90	61.00%
Blastco, Inc., Houston, TX	\$545,176.90	61.00%
<u>MBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTOR</u>	\$ 4,737.10	0.53%
<u>MB SUBTOTAL</u>		
All Points Inspection Services, Inc., Austin, TX (photography, construction)	\$ 4,737.10	0.53%
<u>WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTOR</u>	\$238,436.00	26.68%
<u>FR SUBTOTAL</u>	\$238,436.00	26.68%
Quality Welding and Fabrication, New Braunfels, TX (welding)	\$238,436.00	26.68%
<u>NON M/WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTORS</u>	\$105,400.00	11.79%



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Corrpro Waterworks, Conyers, GA (cathodic protection)	\$ 26,400.00	2.95%
Carboline, San Antonio, TX (coatings supplier)	\$ 50,000.00	5.59%
Ttex Supply, Inc., Houston, TX (blast media)	\$ 29,000.00	3.25%

The Contractor submitted a MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that demonstrated a Good Faith Effort and was approved by the Department of Small & Minority Business Resources. Second low bidder information is provided. No other responsive bids were received.

SECOND BIDDER – George Kountoupes Painting Co., Lincoln Park, MI – Base Bid - \$1,139,970.00
76.57% Non M/WBE prime participation; 0.11% MBE participation; 21.02% WBE participation; 2.3%
Non M/WBE participation.

No. 070704-B

**WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH BLASTCO, INC., FOR THE
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PROJECT FOR THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$878,750, PLUS \$87,875.00 A
CONTINGENCY FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$966,625.00.**

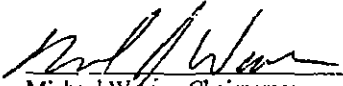
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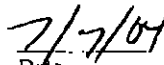
REGULAR MEETING

VOTE: 8-0-0-1

Motion made by: Coleman
Commissioners Consenting: Lee, Friese, Kirfman, Miller, Raun, Chan, Warner
Commissioners Dissenting:
Commissioners Abstaining:
Commissioners Absent: Pool

The Water and Wastewater Commission recommends the Council approve the execution of a construction contract with Blastco, Inc., for the Slaughter Lane and Loop 360 Reservoirs Recoating and Safety Improvements Project for the Austin Water Utility in the amount of \$878,750, plus \$87,875.00 a contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$966,625.00.


Michael Warner, Chairperson
Water and Wastewater Commission


Date

CIP FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
WHERE ON AGENDA:
DEPARTMENT:

7/29/2004
Resolution
Austin Water Utility

DESCRIPTION:

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Parent Project Name:	Water Improvements - Citywide
Project Authorization:	2003-04 Approve Capital Budget
Funding Source:	Current Revenue
Number:	3920 227 1016

Current Appropriation	\$ 95,565,949.00
Unencumbered Balance	15,033,016.91 *
Amount of This Action	<u>(966,625.00)</u>
Remaining Balance	<u>\$ 14,066,391.91</u>
 Current Available Balance	 \$ 15,688,370.91
Less Outstanding Commitments	<u>(655,354.00)</u>
Estimated Unencumbered Balance	<u>\$ 15,033,016.91 *</u>

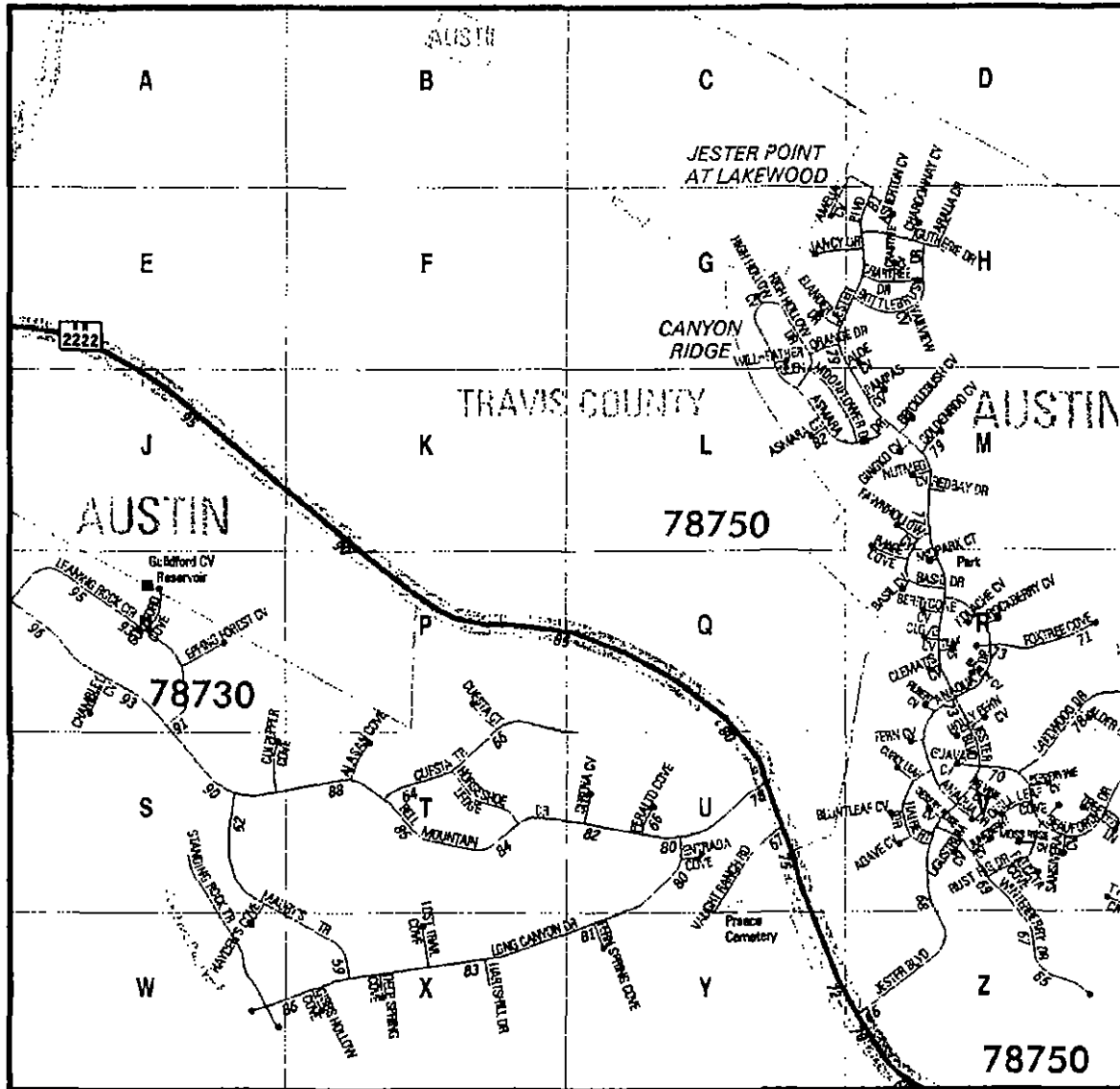
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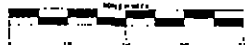
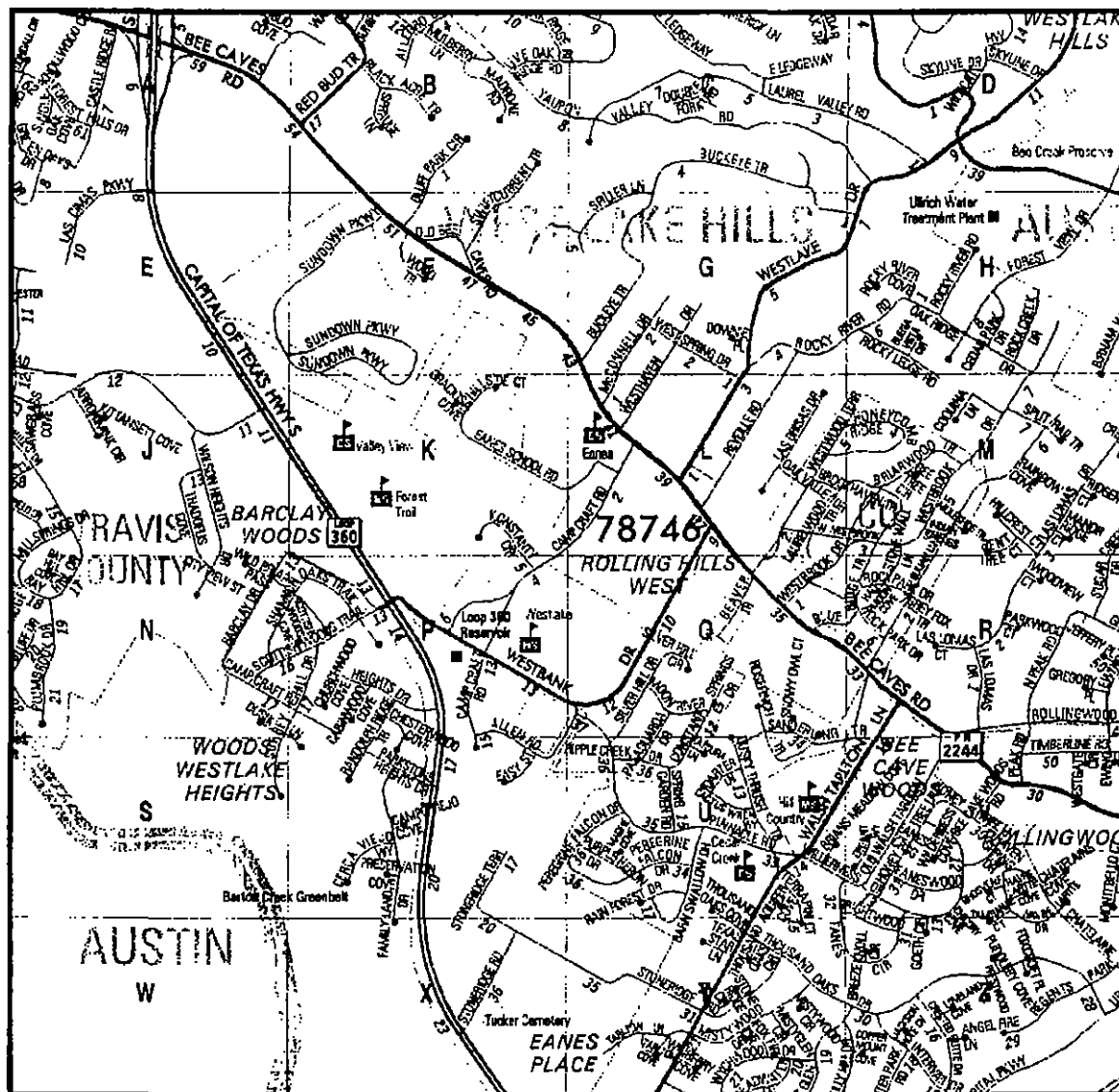

David Anders, Utilities Finance Manager

Date:

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